

REMARKS

Claims 35-38, 40-42, 44-50, 52-57, 59-60, 62-64, and 66-67 are pending.

In the Final Office Action, claims 35-38, 40, 42-44, 46-50, 52, 54-57, 59-64, and 66-68 were rejected under 35 USC §103(a) for being obvious in view of an Ogikubo-Logan-Lambert combination. Applicants request the Examiner to withdraw this rejection for the following reasons.

The Ogikubo publication discloses storing resume information on a disk.

The Logan publication discloses storing program identification information for an associated program.

The Lambert patent discloses storing programs stored on a recording medium.

However, these references do not individually or collectively teach or suggest the features added by amendment to claim 35, including “storing the plurality of resume marks includes storing a first resume mark corresponding to a first playback position separately from a second resume mark corresponding to a second playback position which is more recent than the first playback position.” (See, for example, Figure 4 for support).

Based on these differences, it is respectfully submitted that claim 35 and its dependent claims are allowable over an Ogukubo-Logan-Lambert combination. The remaining independent claims have been amended to recite features similar to those added by amendment to claim 35. Applicants submit that these and their dependent claims are also allowable over this combination.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and timely allowance of the application is respectfully requested.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR §1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this, concurrent and future replies, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 16-0607 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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